

**May 22, 2025**

Dear Superintendents and BOCES Directors,

Today I am sharing the following updates:

- US Department of Education (ED) announces supplemental grant priorities
- Education Secretary McMahon testifies before House Committee on Appropriations
- Preliminary injunction on March 20 executive order

**US Department of Education (ED) announces supplemental grant priorities**

Earlier this week, ED announced Secretary McMahon's supplemental grant priorities [with a press release](#). You can find [more details and information about public comment on the website](#) for the federal register.

**Education Secretary McMahon testifies before House Committee on Appropriations**

As I shared on Monday, Secretary McMahon testified before the House Committee on Appropriations on Wednesday, May 21. You can [click here for a summary of key takeaways](#) from the hearing.

**Preliminary injunction on March 20 executive order**

Today, a [federal judge in Massachusetts issued a preliminary injunction](#) that blocks the [March 20 executive order](#) entitled "Improving Education Outcomes by Empowering Parents, States, and Communities." The preliminary injunction also requires that ED reinstate employees previously laid off in March 2025. It is important to note that ED has appealed the decision and there will likely be additional news and action related to this item.

*Due to Memorial Day, we will send our usual Monday update on Tuesday, May 27.*

Warm regards,

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